

SENATE FLOOR ACTION

**Tuesday
May 12, 2015**

The Senate suspended the necessary rules to consider and finally pass:

SJR 8 Zaffirini

Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to require a court to provide notice to the attorney general of a challenge to the constitutionality of a state statute and authorizing the legislature to prescribe a waiting period before the court may enter a judgment holding the statute unconstitutional.

SB 309 (LC) **Campbell/ et al.**

Relating to public access to boundary, financial, and tax rate information of certain political subdivisions.

SB 310 **Campbell/ et al.**

Relating to procedures and requirements for the issuance of certificates of obligation.

SB 830 (CS) **Kolkhorst**

Relating to the creation of an independent ombudsman for children and youth in foster care.

SB 1004 (CS) **Bettencourt**

Relating to courses and programs offered jointly by certain public junior colleges and independent school districts.

SB 1058 Hinojosa

Relating to the reporting of criminal history record information of educators and other public school employees who engage in certain misconduct.

1 Floor Amendment

SB 1169 (CS) **Campbell/ et al.**

Relating to suicide prevention training for educators in public schools.

SB 1229 (LC) **Seliger**

Relating to restrictions on the use of credit card payments to settle claims for health care services.

SB 1259 (CS) (LC) Rodríguez

Relating to the development of an individualized education program for a child in public school.

SB 1497 (CS) **Taylor, Van**

Relating to a requirement that a school district or open-enrollment charter school terminate certain employees convicted of certain offenses.

1 Floor Amendment

SB 1882 (CS) (LC) Zaffirini

Relating to a bill of rights for wards under guardianship.

1 Floor Amendment

SB 1899 (CS) (LC) **Campbell/ et al.**

Relating to the regulation of emergency medical services.

1 Floor Amendment

SB 2057 (LC) **Taylor, Van**

Relating to the creation of the Double R Municipal Utility Districts Nos. 1 and 2 of Hunt County; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

1 Floor Amendment

HB 275 Ashby/ Clardy/ Fallon/
VanDeaver

SP: Nichols

Relating to the exemption from ad valorem taxation of farm products.

HB 505 (LC) Rodriguez, Eddie/ Workman/ SP: Estes/ et al.
Smith/ Dale/ et al.

Relating to a prohibition of limitations on the number of dual credit courses or hours in which a public high school student may enroll.

HB 658 **Zerwas/ Miller, Rick/ Reynolds/** **SP: Kolkhorst**
 Stephenson/ Anderson, Charles
 "Doc"

Relating to the creation of a campus of the Texas State Technical College System in Fort Bend County.

HB 744 (LC) Huberty SP: Creighton

Relating to the purchase of certain insurance by public school districts.

HB 903 (LC) **Capriglione/ Otto/ Simmons/** **SP: Taylor, Van/ et al.**
Bonnen, Greg/ Meyer/ et al.

Relating to the investment of a percentage of the economic stabilization fund balance in excess of the sufficient balance.

HB 941 **Hernandez/ Faircloth** **SP: Perry/ et al.**

Relating to the creation of DNA records for the DNA database system.

2 Floor Amendments

HB 1246 (CS) (LC) Koop/ et al. SP: Hall

Relating to the methods of delivery for required financial statement forms sent to certain municipal officeholders and candidates for municipal office.

HB 1378 (CS) (LC) **Flynn/ Murphy/ Anderson,** **SP: Bettencourt/ et al.**
Charles "Doc"/ et al.

Relating to the fiscal transparency of political subdivisions.

HB 1606 (LC) **Burkett/ Price/ Raymond/** **SP: Hinojosa**
Dutton/ Gonzales, Larry/ et al.

Relating to the continuation and functions of the Texas Workforce Investment Council, including assumption of the duties of the Texas Skill Standards Board.

HB 1678 (LC) Raymond/ Price/ Naishtat SP: Schwertner

Relating to the continuation and functions of the Governor's Committee on People with Disabilities.

HB 1679 (LC) Raymond/ Burkett/ Price/ SP: Birdwell
Villalba

Relating to the continuation of the Texas Council for Developmental Disabilities.

HB 1769 (LC) **Zerwas/ Faircloth/ et al.** **SP: Uresti**

Relating to requirements for assisted living facility license applicants.

HB 1945 **Bonnen, Greg/ Simpson/ Fallon/ et al.** **SP: Hancock**

Relating to the provision of direct primary care.

1 Floor Amendment

HB 2213 Metcalf SP: Creighton

Relating to the tow rotation list in certain counties.

HB 3327 (LC) **Alvarado/ Herrero/ Harless/
Raymond/ Turner, Sylvester/
et al.** **SP: Huffman/ et al.**

Relating to a grant program to fund domestic violence high risk teams.

HB 3633 (LC) **Herrero/ Collier** **SP: West**

Relating to reimbursement for the costs of legal services provided to an indigent defendant in a criminal case.

The Senate suspended the regular order, read third time and finally passed:

SB 2065 (CS) Estes/ et al.

Relating to the rights of certain religious organizations and individuals relating to a marriage that violates a sincerely held religious belief.

The Senate suspended the regular order, read second time and passed to engrossment:

SB 1624 (CS) Rodríguez/ et al.

Relating to a requirement that certain entering students at a general academic teaching institution receive information regarding mental health and suicide prevention services.

The Senate adopted the following resolutions:

SCR 39 Hinojosa/ Lucio

Urging Hidalgo County to reduce its tax rate upon establishment of the Hidalgo County Healthcare District.

HCR 34 (LC) Raymond SP: Zaffirini

Directing DPS to name the new crime lab in Laredo the Oscar "O. J." Hale Crime Lab.

**HCR 114 Johnson/ Anchia/ Meyer/ Rose/ SP: West
Koop/ et al.**

Recognizing the Operation Blue Shield initiative.

The Senate confirmed all nominees as reported by the Committee on Nominations.

Committee referral on the following:

SCR 46 Rodríguez

Directing the governor of the State of Texas to posthumously award the Texas Legislative Medal of Honor to Marcelino Serna.

Veteran Affairs & Military Installations

SB 2075 Campbell

Relating to the annexation and eminent domain powers of and the development of certain wastewater projects by the Needmore Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 14 Morrison/ Isaac/ Reynolds

Relating to the Texas emissions reduction plan.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

HB 96 Flynn

Relating to the authority of the Cash Special Utility District to issue bonds.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 127 McClendon

Relating to the issuance of specialty license plates to honor recipients of the Commendation Medal.

Transportation

HB 227 Guillen

Relating to disposition of certain unclaimed money by local telephone exchange companies.

Natural Resources & Economic Development

**HB 257 Farney/ Thompson, Senfronia/
Sheets/ King, Ken/ Price**

Relating to a judge's or justice's significant interest in a business entity that owns, manages, or operates a private correctional or rehabilitation facility.

State Affairs

HB 258 Miles/ Laubenberg/ et al.

Relating to the provision of the reason for rejecting a voter registration application.

State Affairs

HB 281 Simmons/ Parker

Natural Resources & Economic Development

HB 353

Simpson/ Guillen/ et al.

State Affairs

HB 416

Rick/ Cyrier/ et al.

Health & Human Services

HB 634

Metcalf/ et al.

Criminal Justice

HB 638

Anchia/ Simmons

State Affairs

HB 648

Krause

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 866

Thompson, Ed

State Affairs

HB 939

Dale/ Schaefer/ Oliveira/ Canales

Business & Commerce

HB 991

Fallon

Transportation

HB 1083

Márquez/ Guillen/ Rose/ Collier

Criminal Justice

HB 1101

Turner, Sylvester

Finance

HB 1169

Flynn/ Fallon/ Guillen/ et al.

Business & Commerce

HB 1200

Keffer/ Price/ et al.

State Affairs

HB 1230

Anderson, Rodney

Relating to the prosecution of certain offenses involving the operation of an overweight vehicle.
Transportation

HB 1295 **Capriglione/ Geren/ Fallon**

Relating to the disclosure of interested parties by persons contracting with governmental entities and state agencies.
Business & Commerce

HB 1329 **Naishtat**

Relating to the payment of costs incurred by the involuntary commitment of persons with mental illness.
State Affairs

HB 1425 **Fletcher/ White, James**

Relating to the amount of the fee paid by a defendant for a peace officer's services in executing or processing an arrest warrant, capias, or capias pro fine.
Criminal Justice

HB 1431 **King, Susan**

Relating to the development of a career-oriented foreign language program that public schools may offer.
Education

HB 1481 **Murphy/ Herrero/ Deshotel/
Fletcher/ Phillips**

Relating to prohibiting the operation of an unmanned aircraft over certain facilities; creating a criminal offense.
Veteran Affairs & Military Installations-S/C Border Security

HB 1492 **Miller, Doug/ Keffer/ Phillips/
Clardy/ Sheets/ et al.**

Relating to consideration of asbestos or silica trust claims in certain actions asserting asbestos- or silica-related injuries.
State Affairs

HB 1514 **Sheffield**

Relating to health insurance identification cards issued by qualified health plan issuers.
Business & Commerce

HB 1541 **Burkett/ Turner, Sylvester/ Rose/
King, Susan/ Guillen**

Relating to peer specialists, peer services, and the provision of those services under the medical assistance program.
Health & Human Services

HB 1542 **Paddie**

Relating to the use of digital message display systems in certain public facilities.
Business & Commerce

HB 1551 **Howard/ Bonnen, Greg/ Koop**

Relating to money distributed by the School Land Board to the available school fund or to the State Board of Education for investment in the permanent school fund.
Finance

HB 1613 **Guillen**

Relating to the use of performance on certain assessment instruments designated by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to satisfy requirements concerning high school end-of-course assessment instruments.
Higher Education

HB 1631 **Phelan**

Relating to the enforcement of commercial motor vehicle safety standards in certain municipalities and counties.
Transportation

HB 1663 **Cook/ Villalba/ Fallon**

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Relating to the procedures for applying for a ballot to be voted by mail; affecting the prosecution of a criminal offense.

State Affairs

HB 3121 Thompson, Senfronia

Relating to the enforcement of orders in a suit affecting the parent-child relationship.

State Affairs

HB 3136 Naishtat

Relating to the use of a small estate affidavit to distribute certain intestate estates.

State Affairs

HB 3160 Alonzo/ Thompson, Senfronia

Relating to an exception to the period of filing an application for the grant of letters testamentary or of administration of a decedent's estate.

State Affairs

HB 3302 Darby/ Coleman/ et al.

Relating to highway landscaping projects.

Transportation

HB 3310 Paul/ Flynn/ Alonzo/ Fallon

Relating to the funding policies, actuarial valuations, and reporting requirements of certain public retirement systems.

State Affairs

HB 3433 Sheffield/ Springer/ Clardy

Relating to level of care designations for hospitals that provide neonatal and maternal care.

Health & Human Services

HB 3453 Lozano/ Hunter

Relating to participation in and rates for coverage provided under the uniform group coverage program for active employees.

State Affairs

HB 3511 Davis, Sarah

Relating to the contents of financial statements that are electronically filed by certain persons; adding a provision subject to criminal penalties.

State Affairs

HB 3512 Davis, Sarah

Relating to lobbying activities and the registration of lobbyists.

State Affairs

HB 3517 Davis, Sarah

Relating to requirements governing registration and authorized activities of certain lobbyists; expanding the applicability of an occupational registration.

State Affairs

HB 3547 Larson/ Button/ Farias/ Blanco/ Villalba

Relating to a voluntary veteran's employment preference for private employers.

Veteran Affairs & Military Installations

HB 3603 Burns

Relating to the creation of the Joshua Farms Municipal Management District No. 1; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments or fees.

Intergovernmental Relations

HB 3605 Burns

Relating to the creation of the Joshua Farms Municipal Management District No. 2; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments or fees.

Intergovernmental Relations

Relating to the dedication of revenue derived from the tax levied on crude petroleum production.

Relating to limitations on the percentage of money awarded by the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas for certain uses.

Finance

HB 4155 **Farney**
 Relating to the creation of the Vineyard Municipal Management District No. 1; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, or taxes.
Intergovernmental Relations

HCR 104 **Sheets/ Anderson, Rodney/
Canales/ White, James/ Wu/ et al.**

Designating #txlege as the official hashtag of the Texas Legislature.
Administration

(CS) COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
(LC) RECOMMENDED FOR LOCAL CALENDAR